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12. Teaching Parables Worksheet

Key points from the Video

Parables are tricky to teach because i) it's not always easy to get Jesus' meaning and ii) parables are figurative and children struggle to understand figurative language.

Get Jesus' meaning straight in our heads first:

- Why does Jesus tell the parable here?
- Clues in the parable itself
- What's the context?
- Jesus' own explanation

Make the connections clear between story and reality:

- Who do the characters represent?
- Use visual aids to make the connections clear

Have a go yourself			
Bible Passage	Meaning In one sentence, what's Jesus' main meaning?	Access Question Turn the main meaning into a question	Characters Who do the main characters (things or people) represent?
Matthew 13: 45-46			
Mark 4: 1-20			

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